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## COMMENT OF THE DAY

### Christmas Island Explosion

The successful explosion of a British-made hydrogen bomb can be regarded with sober satisfaction. To have developed such a weapon and then not to have tested its efficacy would have been absurd. The British government was fully justified in refusing to bow to demands and requests to abandon the test.

While the protests against the Christmas Island experiment were well intentioned, they were very largely conditioned by emotionism and to that extent were irrational. If, as it is now generally accepted, the existence of hydrogen bombs provides the biggest deterrent to war, Britain's possession of the weapon is calculated to reduce, rather than increase, the danger of a gloomy conflict being initiated by any hostile country.

Political considerations justify Britain's decision to manufacture an effective nuclear bomb. She would become the first target if Russia launched an offensive in Europe and without weapons equivalent in power to those possessed by the enemy, she would be unable to engage in effective retaliatory action. The whole of Western Europe must lean heavily on Britain's capacity to supply the deterrent to any aggressive designs from the East. She is now in the course of investing herself with that essential strength.

The argument that possession by Britain of her own nuclear weapons, including the H-bomb, renders more difficult resolving of the disarmament problem does not convince. If anything it could have the opposite effect. It could lead to a more ready agreement on the banning of H-bomb explosions, for the existence of a third power possessing this devastating weapon is likely to encourage greater efforts to find an acceptable formula for its international control.

International Communism, led by Russia, is certain to launch a propaganda campaign of horror and indignation against the success of the Christmas Island experiment; nevertheless the Kremlin leaders will, in their own hearts, be impressed and sobered by the knowledge that Britain is now in the position to help deter war; that if the occasion arose she could strike back at a major aggressor with an equivalent might. And the Russian leaders, at least, have keen appreciation of, and respect for, realities. The British people will not burst themselves with pride because they now have in their possession an effective hydrogen weapon. But they are entitled to feel that as a result Britain's voice may receive more sympathetic attention than heretofore in the international councils where plans for the future security and welfare of mankind are debated.

An important significance of the Christmas Island test is that Britain can in the future talk on equal terms with the United States and Russia in any tripartite conferences which may materialise aimed at reaching agreement on dealing with the problem of nuclear weapons.

## Labour Offers £15 A Week Pension Scheme

London, May 15. THE Labour Party tonight offered the British people half-pay retirement pensions of up to £215 a week at the age of 65 under a national superannuation plan. The party, if returned to power at the next general election, intends to introduce this aid o-

# BRITAIN EXPLODES H-BOMB

## Successful Test Carried Out In Midair

London, May 15. Britain's first H-bomb exploded with a force of at least a million tons of TNT in midair over the Pacific near Christmas Island on Wednesday.

The nuclear test carried out in secrecy in the mid-Pacific confirmed Britain as the world's third power possessing the hydrogen bomb.

An official announcement issued in London late this evening described the burst only as "nuclear device." Official sources said it was in fact the first British "megaton bomb."

The first flash from the Ministry of Supply said only that "the first explosion of a nuclear device in the present series took place at high altitude in the Central Pacific today. In Honolulu, the US Weather Bureau said conditions in the Christmas Island area were "just about perfect" for today's test blast. Winds were light and variable, from 10,000 to 60,000 feet, and their northwesterly direction would carry fall-out away from the populated areas."

### NO DESCRIPTION

There was no description of the undubbed drama set off when a volunteer crew of the Royal Air Force sent the big bomb hurtling into the air while hundreds of scientists waited in shelters to see if the thing would work.

There had been talk of "protest flights" sailing into the area from Japan to bark the British plane. One British Quaker had flown as far as New Delhi on his way to make a stand against the test but it came too soon.

### SET OFF BOMB

The actual blast was set off by 38-year-old Flight-Lieutenant Alan Washbrook of Blackburn, England. It was he, the Air Ministry said, who pressed the trigger and actually dropped the bomb. Washbrook was bombardier-navigator of the Valiant. Its pilot, the Air Ministry said, was 30-year-old Wing Commander Kenneth G. Hubbard of Windsor, England.

Observers assumed from the disclosure of their names that the bomb-dropping plane had successfully and safely completed its dash back to Christmas Island without incident.

Hubbard is commander of the squadron of four Valiants which flew to Christmas Island in March and had been rehearsing the "big drop" since.

British understand hid the spectacle of man's unleashing the power of the sun for the third time on earth.

It was an amazing achievement, for Britain had done it in two years without any direct help from the United States. Former Prime Minister Sir Anthony Eden gave weapons chief Sir William Penney the go-ahead for a crash programme in 1955.

His successor, Harold Macmillan, passed the project in the face of bitter opposition from Japan, the Communists and his own Socialist opposition. The H-bomb formed the whole basis of Britain's new look defence.

A Valiant four-jet bomber of the RAF dropped the hefty bomb from the stratosphere to prevent its fall-out from contaminating the lower atmosphere.

### SPECIAL BOMB-BAY

The plane was refitted with a special bomb-bay to accommodate the huge missile. In normal service the Valiant carries a crew of five. Its normal bombload is top-secret.

The cockpit windows bore special glare shields.

According to original plans, twinge Canberras would have dashed through the mushroom cloud shortly after the explosion to check the amount and spread of fall-out.

Back at Christmas Island British engineers had constructed a complete city to house atomic scientists, airmen and ground crews. At the jet-base hacked out of the island's coral, complicated equipment was ready to "crash-wash" the huge Valiant and smaller Canberra free of contamination.

The bomb got to Christmas Island was never revealed. If that bulky parts went by sea they travelled through the Panama Canal.

All indications were that Sir William Penney and his scientists had been working on details of the mechanism right up to drop-day. —London Express Service & United Press.



### Shocks Recorded In Japan

Tokyo, May 16. JAPANESE meteorologists today began picking up atmospheric disturbances, believed to be resulting from the British Christmas Island nuclear explosion, about 5.30 a.m. (GMT Wednesday).

A spokesman at the Meteorological Centre in Tokyo said that the disturbances were still continuing as of 6.30 a.m. JST.

He said that complete reports were still not in, but that from readings of instruments in Tokyo area the disturbances were continuing much longer than any previous disturbance recorded during announced US tests in the Bikini area.

A spokesman said that the atmospheric shocks recorded in the Tokyo area were "at least as heavy" as those which occurred during the US testing.

With the atmospheric shocks recorded here as heavy as those of the US tests in the Bikini area, observers here felt that the British explosion might have been much bigger than anything the US set off.

The Christmas Island area is roughly 4,000 miles from the Japanese islands, while Bikini is about half that distance.

Japan, ever sensitive to testing anywhere, has its instruments to record atmospheric shocks scattered throughout its main islands.

The spokesman for the Meteorological Centre in Tokyo said that a full report from these centres was expected later today. —United Press.

### No HK Instruments

An official of the Royal Hong Kong Observatory stated this morning that the local Observatory at present has no instruments to record atmospheric shocks of this kind. The instrument needed is a special sensitive recording barometer, he added.

Grand Jury sources confirmed that the indictment had been voted but because the publisher, Robert Harrison, and others involved were out of the State the indictment was termed "secret" until it was returned before a judge.

The indictment named the corporation printing and distributing the magazine, in California and nine individuals, including Harrison and the actress Frances de Scafa.

Miss de Scafa was identified yesterday by a former editor of Confidential, Howard Rusinow, as one of the chief sources of Hollywood "material" for the magazine. She is currently reported to be in Mexico City.

In addition to conspiracy to commit criminal libel, the charge included conspiracy to circulate, lend and obscene material, conspiracy to circulate material pertaining to abortions and conspiracy to circulate material pertaining to male rejuvenation. —United Press.

### Canada Agrees To 'Open Skies' Plan

London, May 15. Canada informed the UN disarmament conference today it will join the United States in throwing open territory to President Eisenhower's "open skies" aerial inspection programme if Russia does so as well.

Canadian delegate David Johnson said Canada is ready to co-operate with any fair and appropriate inspection plan.

Canada's co-operation is an important part of the US proposal to include Alaska and Russia's Bering Straits territory in the first stage of a partial open skies plan.

Johnson put Canadian approach on the conference record to illustrate US delegate Harold Stassen's point that open skies outside the five-power Disarmament Conference should not stand in the way of a partial agreement. —United Press.

## MACMILLAN MAKES POOR SHOWING OVER SUEZ

From DEREK MARKS

London, May 15. The instability of the Macmillan government was underlined on Wednesday when the Premier failed to carry his Party with him over the decision to accept Nasser's terms for re-opening of the Suez Canal.

The Prime Minister's speech was made to a barrage of Opposition jeers and open laughter from his own backbenchers. It was a distressing parliamentary performance to watch.

His speech was regarded as one of his weak ones and although there is no question of his position being shaken by the bad speech, the Premier is still seeking to establish his position and his failure is therefore the more important.

### Anxiety

On the problem of Israel ships and the Canal, the Premier's failure to deal firmly with this angered both MPs and Israeli diplomats.

I understand Israel has no intention of sending a ship through the Canal until France does so.

The redundancy and anxieties of the Tories is counter-balanced by the immense upsurge of enthusiasm among the Socialists.

Mr Macmillan intends to speak again in the Suez debate on Thursday night — following Mr Aneurin Bevan.

### Important Occasion

Mr Bevan is known to be keenly interested in the progress of the talks.

Tory Whigs have let it be known that they will regard a majority of 40 as satisfactory.

—London Express Service.

### Indictment Against Confidential Magazine

Los Angeles, May 16.

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### Explosion In Atomic Laboratory

Brookhaven, May 15. Four people were injured one of them seriously, in a chemical explosion which occurred today at the National Atomic Laboratories at Brookhaven. One of the four, a laboratory employee, named Richard Johnson, was severely injured in the face and eyes.

A laboratory spokesman said the explosion did not occur among atomic materials.

The explosion took place some 800 yards from a building where an atomic conference is being held attended by a number of Latin American delegates. —France-Press.

## P & O Liners Routed Via Suez

### DANISH GOVT RESIGNS

London, May 15. The Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company announced tonight their intention to route their passenger ships Canton, Carthage and Corfu via the Suez Canal.

Passengers and shippers were being advised accordingly, the company said.

The Canton (16,033 tons)

bound for London from Hong Kong left Durban on May 9.

The Carthage (14,263 tons) is due to leave Singapore for London on Friday.

The Corfu (14,280 tons) is due to sail from Southampton for Hongkong on May 30. —Reuters.

### £10,000 BANK ROBBERY

Hamilton, May 15. Three masked and armed bandits, held up the Somersett branch of the Bank of Bermuda late yesterday and escaped with £10,000 in this colony's first bank robbery.

Authorities said the three men, all Negroes, entered the bank five minutes before closing time. They herded the bank manager and six other employees into a vault.

An hour after making their getaway, the robbers called police and reported that the bank staff were locked in the vault. —United Press.

### Goebbels Dead

Berlin, May 15. Josef Goebbels, Hitler's propaganda chief, was today officially registered as dead, together with his wife and six children.

The death notice was entered on the records of the Registrar of Berlin.

Goebbels and his wife committed suicide together in Hitler's air raid shelters on April 30, 1945, at the time of the Red Army's final assault on Berlin.

Before taking his own life, the Propaganda Minister had poisoned his six children. —France-Press.

### 52 WOUNDED IN PARIS RIOT

Paris, May 15.

BATON-swinging police clashed with more than 1,500 rioting, leftbank students in the tourist-packed Latin quarter today, leaving 52 wounded and 43 students behind bars.

The rioting began shortly after an announcement that the Ministry of Education had

clashed began on Rue Soufflot when police started swinging clubs to hold their lines.

The students regrouped and counter-attacked.

Police gave the final toll as: 40 students wounded including two in the head, a dozen policemen bruised and battered, and 43 students under arrest. —United Press.

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# Eisenhower Accused Of 'Bad Grace'

## 'TRAGIC RESULTS' OWN FAULT SAYS ACHESON

**POLISH PRIMATE ON ROME VISIT**



Cardinal Wyszyński, Arch-bishop of Warsaw and Roman Catholic Primate of Poland is pictured on his arrival in Rome, where he hopes to pay a "fairly long" visit. He is the first cardinal from an Iron Curtain country to be allowed to visit the Eternal City.—Express Photo.

### PAL VISCOUNT GOING TO PARIS

Paris, May 15. The first turbo-prop plane ordered by the Philippines Airlines (PAL) will be greeted by Philippine Ambassador, Salvador Lopez and Paris' Mayor, Pierre Mauroy, when it makes a courtesy call here tomorrow.

The plane, a British Vickers Viscount, is being ferried from London to Manila via Paris, Karachi, Bombay and other stops by a Phillipine crew, including pilot Leonides Yap and stewardess Natividad Zuluaga.

Mrs Zuluaga, clad in Philipine costume, will present gifts of Phillipine handicraft to Mrs Ruiz on behalf of Manila's Mayor, Arsenio Pacson.

The PAL crew will be interviewed by press and radio reporters shortly after arrival at Orly airport. They will take off for Zurich on Friday.

The courtesy call is part of PAL's programme to promote international goodwill and advertise the availability of turbo-prop services on its regional and domestic lines—France-Presse.

### Increased Technical Assistance For Pact Countries

By ROSS BIRTWISTLE

Karachi, May 15. The British delegation will announce a "substantial increase" in technical assistance to Middle East Bagdad Pact countries when the Economic Committee meets here tomorrow, authoritative sources said tonight.

Britain is already committed to give technical assistance worth £50,000 spread over five years it is reliably understood that the British delegation will seek to have additional assistance allocated to projects which are not already substantially financed principally by United States funds.

Finishing touches were put late today to the former Sind Assembly Building where the Economic Committee of the five nation pact will meet to discuss and draw up a report to be submitted to the ministerial council meeting here next month.

#### Basic Necessity

Near the top of the list of subjects for discussion will be telecommunications and road, rail, air and sea communications.

A member of the Pakistani delegation said:

"Communications are a basic necessity, a vehicle for building

commerce and joint development projects."

Last spring when the pact council met in Teheran, plans were approved for experts of member countries to go to work on a wide range of subjects from health and education to agriculture.

Own Signature

The text of the Acheson statement:

"In his broadcast to the nation last night, President Eisenhower referred to what he called the tragic results of withdrawing United States forces from South Korea prior to 1950. He did not mention, however, that the recommendation to make this withdrawal was transmitted to the State Department under date of September 23, 1947 over his own signature as the then Chief of Staff of the Army.

"It is quite true that our military forces in those days were probably inadequate, but we did then have a monopoly of atomic weapons, which we do not have today, and we did eventually find it possible in 1950 to put seven of the divisions which had existed prior to 1950 into Korea. It is by no means clear that we did not have forces available to stay in

He vigorously defended his record peace-time budget of \$71,800 million (about £25,649 million) and stressed points he made in his nationwide radio-television speech last night, when he said there was no cut-rate price for security.

The major portion of the

President's press conference was

devoted to questions relating to

the budget and Mr Eisenhower's attempt to offset the heavy Congress opposition to it from both the Republicans and the Democrats.

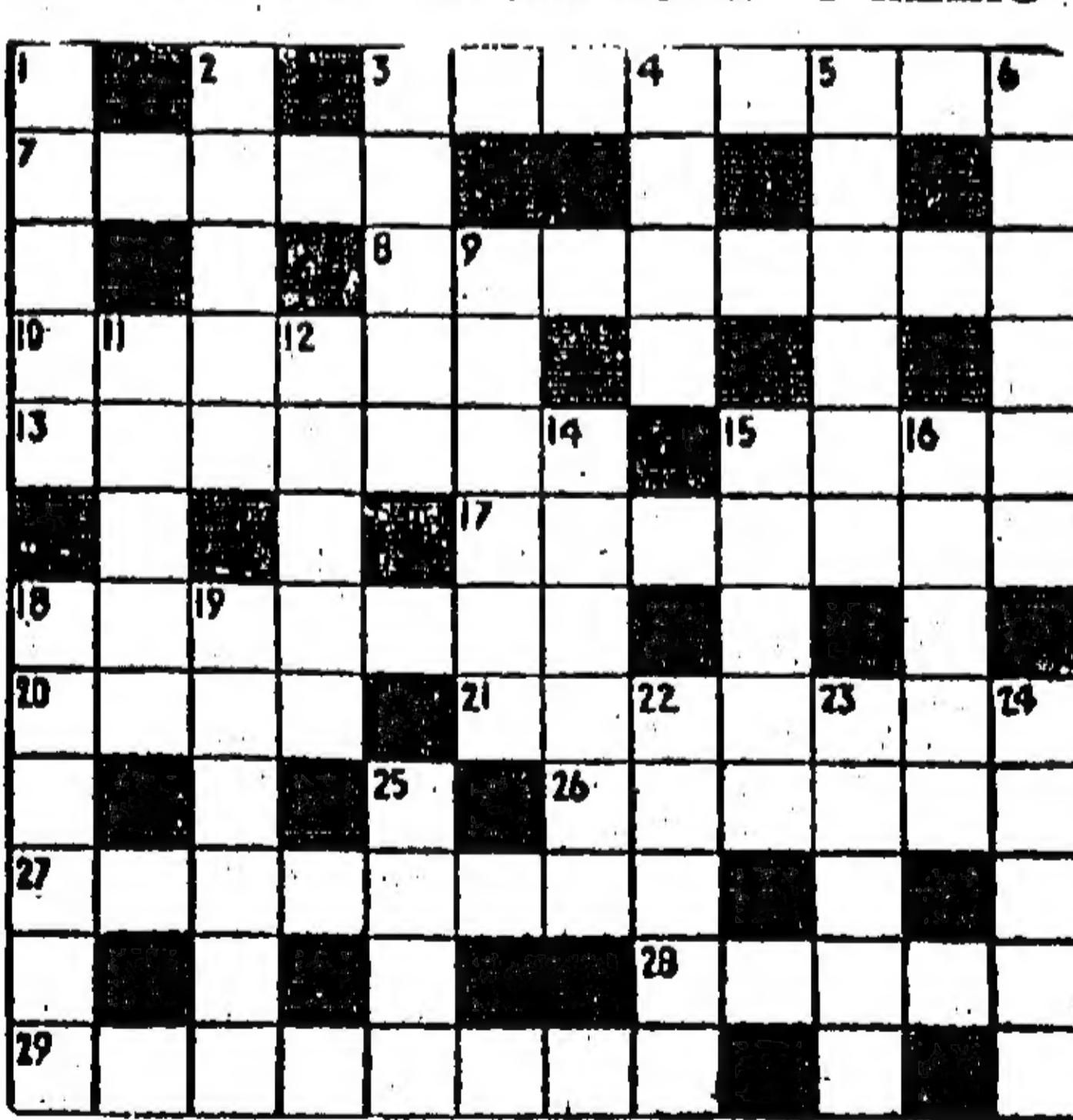
#### MISTAKE

He said that in his view it was a mistake on the part of Congress to make heavy cuts in the US information agency's budget.

The waging of peace, he said, included telling people the truth about America and assisting friendly nations to make certain that their countries were not constantly infiltrated and penetrated by false propaganda.

Referring to his broadcast last night the President said he was trying to show the people why they spend their money and what they risked if they cut the budget seriously. — China Mail Special.

### A British Crossword Puzzle



#### ACROSS

- 3 Buildings (6).
- 7 Rustic (5).
- 8 Dialle (6).
- 10 Sober (8).
- 13 Suggest (7).
- 15 Arrive (4).
- 17 Pronounced indistinctly (7).
- 18 Edited (7).
- 20 Object of worship (4).
- 21 It sounds as if the comfort of the tenants is not what it was (7).
- 22 Firm (6).
- 23 True (6).
- 25 Famous singer (6).
- 26 Throws away (9).
- 27 Country (8).
- 28 Extent (4).

WEEDLESS CROSSWORD.—Across: 1 Capots, 3 Ghais, 8 Alain, 9 Fermat, 10 Dulls, 11 Revel, 12 Trip, 13 Reals, 16 Delete, 18 Guided, 20 Stens, 22 Arum, 23 Inlet, 25 Vale, 26 Host, 27 Onset, 28 Plant, 29 Tended. Down: 1 Capitals, 2 Porridge, 3 Lair, 4 Altered, 5 Ordered, 6 Amulet, 7 Inlet, 14 Serrated, 15 Slimmed, 16 Distant, 17 Leveret, 18 Unison, 21 Trull, 24 Tote.

Progov had asked that the letter be delivered personally to his home because "he was afraid of being persecuted for calling at the Soviet Embassy," Ilychev said. Ilychev added: "Mashkintsev is present life in the USSR.—France-Presse.

### US GOVERNMENT ACCUSED OF FRAME-UP

Paris, May 15.

A Soviet Foreign Ministry spokesman described as a "frame-up" and an "unfriendly act" toward the Soviet Union the action of the United States Government in expelling last April 17 from the United States, G. F. Mashkintsev, an official of the Soviet Embassy in Washington.

The Soviet Foreign Ministry press secretary, Leontid Ilychev, at a press conference reported that Mashkintsev had "tried to kidnap" Pyotr Progov, a Soviet pilot who fled to the West in 1948 and is now living in the United States. Ilychev said Mashkintsev had visited Progov in the United States, only to deliver letters from Anatoly Borov, another Soviet pilot who "showed freedom at the same time as Progov, but returned to the Soviet Union in 1949."

Progov had asked that the letter be delivered personally to his home because "he was afraid of being persecuted for calling at the Soviet Embassy," Ilychev said. Ilychev added: "Mashkintsev

replied to a number of questions asked by Progov in connection with his desire to return home."

#### THE 'CLAMOUR'

The Foreign Ministry spokesman declared that the "clamour" raised around Progov and Borov was aimed at "indirectly displacing Soviet citizens living in the United States in order to prevent their repatriation."

The US Government officially expelled Mashkintsev for "activities incompatible with his official position."

Ilychev presented to the newsmen the returned Soviet pilot, Borov, who said he had written to Progov to persuade him to return home and described his present life in the USSR.—France-Presse.

### Nations Like Armed Brigands

Coventry, May 16.

The Bishop of Coventry, Dr Cuthbert Bardsley, said today that nations appeared to be like armed brigands holding out peace proposals from behind the muzzles of machine-guns.

Speaking at a diocesan conference here, he said he hoped the British Government would not reject Russian proposals for disarmament.

Britain, the United States and Russia should get together immediately on this vital question—"There is no time to lose. Things are serious."

The bishop said that sooner or later "we must walk out from behind our atomic stock-piles and talk together like Christian people."

The alternative to be "irreparably" for the next 40 years knowing that at any moment some fool might press the trigger with the result that 12 bombs dropped on the British Isles could paralyse the nation, if not annihilate the population, he said.—China Mail Special.

## Israel's Nine Proud Years Of Achievement

**ISRAEL** is nine years old. In 1948 the country of Palestine, which had been ruled under British mandate since 1920, was carved up and redistributed.

About a fifth of Palestine's coastline in the south, to a depth of 30 miles, became part of Egypt. This is the Gaza Strip, the cause of constant trouble between Jews and Egyptians.

A little strip in the north, given to Syria. And a very large "bite" from the heart of Palestine, all along the River Jordan from the Sea of Galilee to the Dead Sea, and including Bethlehem, became part of Jordan.

The rest was "Israel."

Men who draw maps must always compromise with realities, and nobody supposed that there would not be trouble ahead for the Jews. The old Palestine, almost surrounded by Arabs, had itself twice as many Arabs as Jews.

#### THE OTHER SIDE

**TROUBLE** has been unceasing along Israel's anxious frontiers. But this is the moment, on the new nation's ninth anniversary, to look at the other side of the picture.

Within reduced boundaries, Israel has changed drastically. Living standards have risen, the land under cultivation has doubled, communications and industries have been opened up.

Israel is now far and away the strongest and most literate state in the Middle East.

Most spectacular of all has been the gigantic growth of the Jewish population. When Israel was born, about 800,000 Arab refugees left the country. In their place have come shiploads of Jews from all over the world—many of them refugees themselves.

In the four years 1948-51, 700,000 Jewish immigrants arrived, often penniless. In 1948 alone over a quarter of a million entered the country—and they are still arriving in their thousands.



## MOLLET'S DEMANDS MEET WITH SUDDEN UPSET

Paris, May 15.

Storm clouds gathered for the French Government today when the National Assembly Finance Commission declined quick action on demand for new taxes to help meet the cost of the Algerian Campaign and the Suez Crisis.

The Commission decided to suspend examination of the new fiscal measures until it has studied the Government's plans for 250,000 million francs (£220 million), economies in the 1957 budget, and bills for supplementary expenses on the home front and in Algeria.

This threatens to upset the tactics of M. Guy Mollet, the Socialist Prime Minister, who had hoped the debate might start tomorrow.

#### NOW UNLIKELY

Lobby observers said it was now unlikely the deputies could start discussing the Government prospects until Friday at the earliest.

The Government plans to raise 150,000 million francs in new taxation partly by decree and partly by parliamentary approval, which M. Mollet is to make a question of confidence. He hopes to push his "austerity" programme through both houses of Parliament before President René Coty leaves at the end of the month for an official visit to the United States.

M. Coty, just back from Italy, presided this afternoon over a cabinet meeting expected to discuss Britain's decision to allow her shipping to resume transit through the Suez Canal.

## HUNGER PROTEST BY BUDDHISTS

Nagasaki, May 15. Fifty priests of the Buddhist Nichiren Sect today started a two-day hunger protest against the nuclear experiments of the United States, Britain and Soviet Russia. They were joined by 20 Buddhist nuns.

The demonstrators chanted sutras while beating hand drums in front of Nagasaki's atom bomb memorial.

The priests said that on Friday they will parade through the streets of this atom-bombed city soliciting signatures for an anti-nuclear campaign.—United Press.

### No Nuclear Arms

Stockholm, May 16.

Sweden has no intention of equipping its armed forces with nuclear weapons, Swedish Defence Minister, Sven Andersson, said today. The Minister was replying to a question in Parliament.

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## 'Denise' The Menace From France Off To 'Frog Olympics'

Paris, May 15.

An 18-months old Parisian bank frog named "Denise" left Paris today by air for New York en route to Angels Camp in California, where she will defend France's colours at the international "Frog Olympics" on May 25.

Denise, who was born on the banks of the Seine, is very finicky about her meals. She will be accompanied by a supply of earthworms dug up from the Seine mudflats.

Three other frogs talented frogs will go along with Denise to keep her company and help her in training.

Amanjean, who is employed by the French branch of an American helicopter firm, spared Denise a tiring road trip today by airlifting her to Orly airport in a helicopter. She rode on the back of her "Godmother", French actress Christiane Tignel.

Denise will fly from New York to San Francisco where another helicopter will await her to take her to the world title.—France-Presse.

## DON IDDON'S DIARY

**T**HE Ku Klux Klan rides again and rides high. Not since the '20's has the hooded order, against Negroes been so powerful.

There is even a propaganda campaign to spread the word of the Klan to Great Britain.

In recent weeks my desk has been flooded with mail from Klansmen. They are looking for publicists, and they are looking for recruits.

I have talked to Klansmen in the past few days. Some have asked for anonymity. Others have quite brazenly paraded their views and asked for banner headlines.

The head, or Imperial Wizard, of the U.S. Klan and Knights of the Ku Klux Klan is a 40-year-old paint sprayer, Eldon Lee Edwards.

## Emperor

BY day Edwards works at the Fisher car body factory in Atlanta, Georgia, for a modest \$22 dollars (about £32) a week. By night Edwards is the emperor of the most dominant Klan organisation.

He is clubbing down his rivals and it is his ambition to form the scattered groups of Klansmen into a disciplined army.

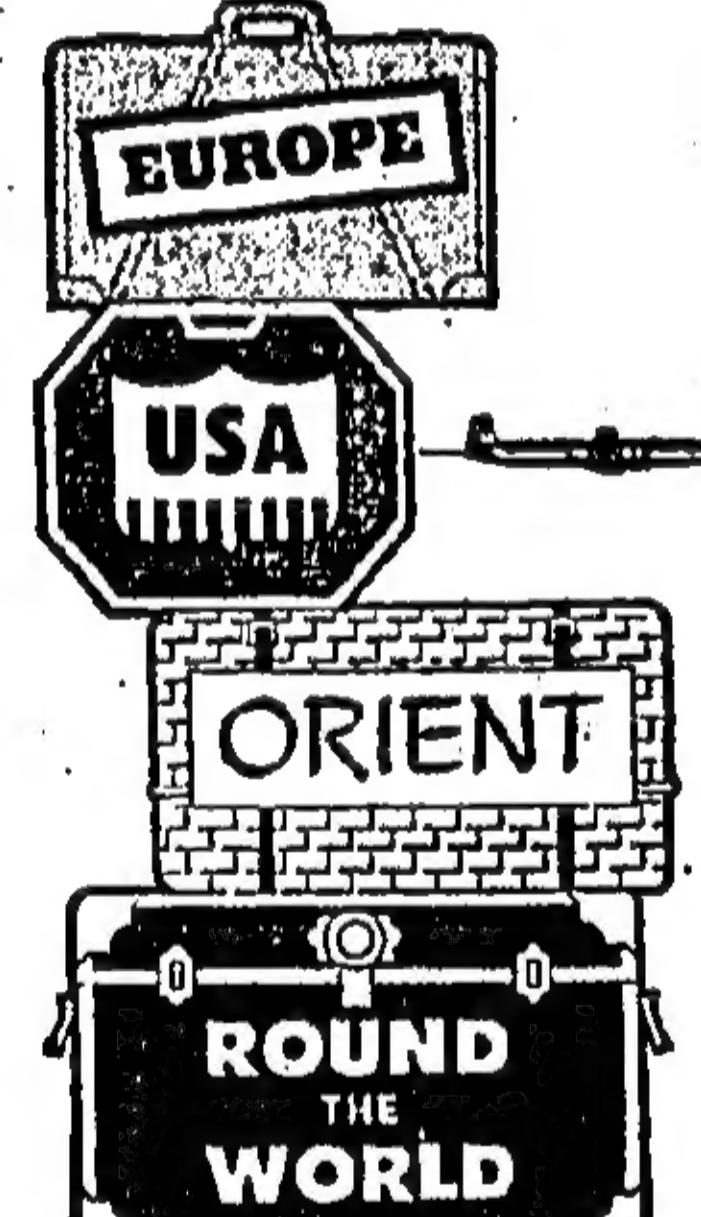
Today Edwards bosses a Klan of 60,000 members.

He says: "The good niggers (he always refers to the coloured as niggers and never Negroes) don't want this integration any more than we do."

The National Association for the Advancement of Coloured People is trying to jam integration, the mixing blacks and whites, down our throats; and it is backed by Jew money.

"But the Klan means business and is doing good business."

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Edwards quotes facts and figures to justify the Klan's prosperity. Over \$1,000,000 was collected from members during the past year.

And, since the Supreme Court called for integration in the schools, over 100,000 new Klansmen.

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## YOUR BIRTHDAY ... By STELLA

THURSDAY, MAY 16

BORN today, you have a rather stern nature and the mind and attitude of a disciplinarian who wants directions followed to the letter -- and no questions asked. You have the ability to face facts, be they pleasant or unpleasant. You believe in emotional response -- but in the right place and at the right time. Once satisfied, you are able to work with determination with a one-track mind for a cause which may or may not be popular. As far as you are concerned, that is unimportant if the cause is a just and worthy one. And you would never sponsor anything else.

Since you are the soul of self-reliance, you expect others to be the same. Both you and all women should be successful in the business world for you give no quarter to anyone who is not completed to compete. Once you have made up your mind, you permit nothing to stand in your way. If friendly persuasion doesn't get what you want, you know other means -- and will

FRIDAY, MAY 17

**TAURUS** (Apr. 21-May 22) -- Try not to get involved in some family deal with your own kin or with in-laws. Make a respectable profit.

**GEMINI** (May 22-June 21) -- You can further your personal ambitions today if you will actively start, following previously-made plans.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 23) -- Close a business deal. Sign important legal papers, too, when convinced you are absolutely right.

**LEO** (July 24-Aug. 23) -- If the opportunity offered two days ago was sincere, you should know

• JACOBY  
ON BRIDGE

Heart Suit Traps South

By OSWALD JACOBY

TODAY'S hand is one of the most interesting of the Intercollegiate championships.

The normal bidding is for South to open with one notrump in third seat, whereupon North should jump to three notrump.

West will open his fourth best spade and North's ten will hold the trick. South will count up to eight tricks in several ways but will note that he is one short of game. His best play is to try to sneak a

NORTH (D)	23
♦ Q10	
♦ J10 8	
♦ A9 8 6	
♦ K 5 3	
WEST	EAST
♦ A 8 7 5 2	♦ 8 6 4
♦ 7 5 4	♦ A 9 0 3 2
♦ 7 3	♦ Q 4
♦ Q 10 8	
SOUTH,	
♦ K J 3	
♦ R Q	
♦ K A 9 3	
♦ A 9 7 6 2	
East and West vulnerable	
North East South West	
Pass Pass 1 N.T. Pass	
3 N.T. Pass Pass Pass	
Opening lead--♦ 5	

heart trick so he will play a heart from dummy; preferably the jack.

East must go right up with the ace and play a second spade. West must duck this trick.

Now East and West will have made their pair, which is to beat the three no-trump contract one trick.

If South goes after the diamond suit at trick two, East will get the lead and West will again duck the second spade. South will run the rest of the diamonds and West must discard his hearts in order to retain the club stopper and all the spades.

If South goes after the clubs, West will probably get the lead. In this case he must lead a second low spade so that when East gets in he will still be able to lead the suit to West.

The bidding has been:

North	East	South	West
1 ♦	1 ♠	2 N.T.	Pass
3 ♦	Pass	?	
You, South, hold:			
AK 7	Q J 10 9 6	Q K 2	A J 9 6 5

What do you do?

A--Bid five clubs. If your partner doesn't like no-trump you have tremendous support for clubs and want to be at least in game.

TODAY'S QUESTION

You hold the same hand. The bidding has been:

North East South West

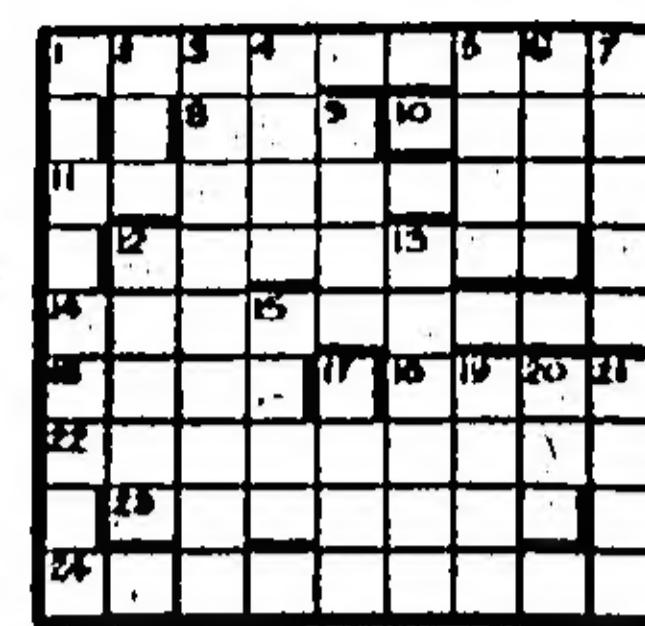
1 ♦ 1 ♠ 2 N.T. Pass

3 ♦ Pass ?

What do you, South, do?

Answer Tomorrow

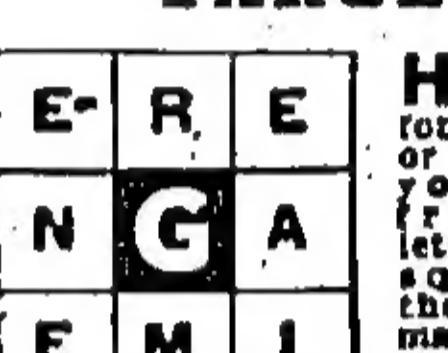
## CROSSWORD



- Across  
1. Suddenly, say something. (10)  
3. It's a bit if you go backwards. (10)  
10. Starting price tour to one Who. (10)  
11. Atlantic Ocean. (6, 2)  
12. Miles to moon. (7)  
13. Bridge goes over the river in Ken. (6)  
15. I go Shakespeare way. (4)  
17. I go name in gallery world. (14)  
22. Glass for water. (10)  
23. Witchery. (7)  
24. Yours this way in a letter. (9)

Down  
1. Stings are (long). (6)  
2. Uncle was years -- domed. (10)  
3. It makes a long train. (9)  
4. One down in Gloucestershire -- one down near London. (14)  
5. Apes in church. (4)  
6. Their bind. (4) 7. Dodge. (10)  
8. You may take you a long way. (6)  
12. A more rewarding way of water. (10)  
14. Poor 15th century. (10)  
15. Section of (10)  
16. He does not write a war. (10)  
17. Don't go around. (10)  
18. Name of the dog. (10)  
19. J. A. S. (10)  
20. J. C. L. (10)  
21. J. C. L. (10)  
22. Sentence. (10)

## TARGET



**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 23-Dec. 22) -- Your business project is strenuous but also keep abreast of social activities are important.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 23-Jan. 20) -- A lecture trip might be highly productive of good results for a cause which you are sponsoring. Be a booster.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 21-Feb. 19) -- Offer assistance to someone who may have done a good deed for you and it will be reciprocal.

**PISCES** (Feb. 20-Mar. 20) -- You can catch up on work which has been necessarily postponed for the last few days. Get your desk up to date.

**ARIES** (Mar. 21-Apr. 19) -- Write a letter which will tell an idea upon which you are working. Get the sponsorship you are seeking.

## • BY • THE • WAY •

by Beachcomber

IT is not every day that a fire-eater produces a string of sausages from a don's pocket, as happened at Oxford the other day.

He probably became bored, having eaten nothing but the flames of a burning grec's annexe in the last two days. Like the sword-swallowing who was arrested for begging a razor-blade, a meat seller from an old shopfront, the fire-eater was prepared to swallow even sausages in his hunger. We now come to the question of why the don had sausages in his pocket, and that must be dealt with in a special series of articles by an expert. Order your copy now, as I anticipate seeing primitive savagery when the newsgangs are rushed to the last minute.

TO ALLOW the dealer to use his own pack, without having previously come to some sort of understanding with him, is the act of a nincompoop.

**Do it now!**

IT'S a PHROTTA!!! The only non-stimulable horse-collar which can be torn into strips and used to plug holes in adhesive brush-handles! Insist on the plastic container!

**Narkover maxims**

A PARENT who charges too high a rate of interest on

## This Funny World



"May I bring my own noisemaker up there and join your party?"

Answer Tomorrow

## WOMANSENSE

## Housework Made Easy With New Gadgets

London.  
NEW "work-made-easy" gadgets always appear in the greatest number here in the spring.

For one thing, that is the season when every British housewife indulges in the annual "spring cleaning" — a thorough going-over of the house from top to bottom to get rid of the winter dirt and grime and prepare for the summer sunshine.

Two simple new cleaning

gadgets which will help many a housewife to achieve the desired degree of polish without additional effort utilise silicone.

A simple polishing cloth, looking just like an ordinary duster, it puts a protective film of silicone on any surface, whether metal, glass, leather, wood, porcelain, brass and pewter. Again no strenuous effort is needed. The paste is smeared on and dusted off.

But each packet bears a special warning to motorists not to use it on the windscreen of their cars. It appears that the surface tension effect reduces the efficiency of conventional windscreen wipers. It can, however, be used successfully on the chromium fittings and side rear windows.

Many British housewives will be replacing the rather raucous ring of the door bell with a set of new musical chimes. These can now be had in a resonating box which produces the chimes without those hanging tubes to collect the dust and make dusting difficult. Different combinations of chimes make it easy to distinguish between front and back doors.

New ways with a steam iron will freshen up many things, from crumpled carpets and spotted velour curtains to

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Fuller's Earth, the juice of a lemon and the cleansing milk. Apply liberally to face and neck, paying special attention to the greasy areas down the centre of the face.

Make cold water eye pads and lie back with feet higher than the head for 15 minutes of well earned rest before washing off with tepid water.

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While mother is busy, she can leave junior in the garden discovering the mysteries of rocket propulsion for himself. A new and virtually indestructible nylon rocket, powered by water and compressed air will keep any space-minded child happy for hours.

Fill it with water and pump air, the rocket will zoom to a height of more than a hundred feet before descending to its base in a spectacular dive.

The rocket is sold complete with pump, for 25 shillings sterling. China Mail

## Beset with problems, adolescents need understanding and sympathy from adults

## Coming Of Age...

By W. W. Bauer, M.D.

THE adolescent or teen-ager is at perhaps the most difficult stage in life. He probably has no more problems at this age than he had when he was younger or will have when he grows older. His difficulty is that now he is not quite old enough to deal with them unaided himself, nor quite young enough to have the sympathy which goes out to younger children.

The teens which seem so carefree and untroubled may often be extremely unhappy years. Few adults can remember or take the trouble to remember the problems which faced them in the teen-age. Perhaps the following list will recall a few to the minds of older readers and give them a somewhat more sympathetic attitude toward the problems of the teen-ager.

The adolescent faces the problem of what is going to be his future programme in life. What occupation shall he

The growing and developing sex drive must be dealt with constructively. To some extent at least the stigma of being conscious of sex has been removed. Even so, the purely biological problem of sex continues to complicate the boy-and-girl relationships which are normal and necessary in this time of maturing and growing up.

His own standards of conduct are often different from those of the adult world. I mean standards of conduct—not standards of morality. The adult world has a strong tendency to render moral significance into what is nothing more than custom.

LATE HOURS

Takes the matter of late hours. There is no reason why a perfectly wholesome jam session with popcorn, soft drinks and cookies cannot last into the wee hours. The question when to come home is not nearly as important as where to go and with whom to associate.

Adults are prone to make snap decisions about the associations of their adolescent children. They take a dislikes to this girl or that boy because of dress, hair-do or of a manner or mannerism. This one is too flippant. This one is disrespectful. This one is untidy. That one is not punctual. This one doesn't have nice table manners. This one talks too much. That one is an unfriendly clamer. Young people by large will make a pretty good choice of their own companions if they have had a good home training which allows them to discriminate.

The grown folks don't show the adolescent enough how much they love him. And they don't give him sufficient evidence of trust. Most

GERMAN TRACK AND FIELD EXPERT SAYS

# MAN WILL NEVER COVER THE CENTURY SPRINT IN NINE SECONDS

By HANS SCHAEFER

**Frankfurt.** Man will never cover the 100-metre sprint in 9.0 seconds or turn in a nine-metre broad jumping result and the hectic world-record-breaking pace likely will slow down soon as there are certain limits for any athlete's physical capacities, a well-known German track and field expert claims.

G. A. Boehmig, one of the country's foremost track theoreticians, based his claim on mathematical rules. Writing in one of the latest editions of the official West German Track and Field Association publication "Leichtathletik," the expert came to the conclusion that his assessment of world records established since the early days of the sport as far back as 1905 until the wind-up of the 1956 season revealed that on the basis of "mathematical order" the number of world records will considerably go down as compared to the past few years.

In 1955, for instance, the world's athletic cream had established 36 new world marks in the various men's specialties. Last season, which was one of the most brilliant years in the international athletic sport, even 50 new world marks were set by crack athletics stars throughout the world.

Moreover, Boehmig claimed, the quality of world records to be set in the future will not be that high as in the past years, for there are certain limits for any athlete's physical abilities which prohibit startling improvements of the present world marks.

## RECORD TABULATION

Event	Year	End of 1953	End of 1955
100-metre dash	1904	10.4	10.2 (1.92)
200-metre dash	1904	21.6	20.2 (0.87)
400-metre run	1912	48.2	45.9 (4.1)
800-metre run	1912	1:51.0	1:46.8 (4.7)
1,500-metre run	1912	3:50.8	3:43.2 (5.5)
5,000-metre run	1912	14:36.6	13:58.2 (4.4)
10,000-metre run	1911	30:56.0	29:04.0 (3.3)
100-metre hurdles	1912	15.0	13.5 (1.0)
400-metre hurdles	1921	43.9	39.4 (6.7)
4 × 100-metres	1912	42.3	39.8 (5.9)
4 × 400-metres	1912	3:10.6	3:03.0 (6.8)
High Jump	1912	2.04	2.13 (4.0)
Broad Jump	1912	7.61	8.13 (6.0)
Hop, Step and Jump	1911	15.31	16.33 (6.0)
Pole Vault	1912	4.02	4.77 (18.7)
Discus	1913	47.27	59.28 (25.4)
Javelin	1912	61.00	80.41 (31.7)
Shot Put	1913	14.54	18.04 (24.1)
Hammer	1913	55.77	62.36 (7.0)

Commenting on a tabulation made by several Swedish sports journalists in early 1956 on the "world records of the future" Boehmig was of the opinion that these marks likely never will be achieved.

According to Boehmig, the Swedish "dream record tabulation" reads as follows:

100-metre dash: 9.9 seconds; 200-metre sprint: 19.8 seconds; 400-metre run: 44.6 seconds; 800-metre run: 1:43.2; 1,500-metre run: 3:25.2; 5,000-metre run: 13:10.5; 10,000-metre run: 27:03.0; 100-metre hurdles: 12.8; 400-metre hurdles: 40.4; 100-

metre relay: 38.0-4; 400-metre relay: 2:58.0; high jump: 2.21; broad jump: 9.05; hop, step and jump: 21.01; pole vault: 5.15; shot jump: 21.04; discus: 69.35; javelin: 92.00; hammer: 71.00.

Boehmig admitted that there exists the possibility for athletes to come close to these "dream marks"—provided the runners have more elastic tracks, or there are better apparatus for the field events. But the expert doubted that athletes ever would actually reach these marks as put down by the Swedish sport journalists.

Already in 1952 another German track expert, Horst Peets, had drawn up a list of world records of the future. So far, none of these "dream marks" have been cracked, although in a very few, the world's athletic cream has edged dangerously close to them, as for instance in the 200-metre dash. Peets then had predicted that the 200-metre world record of the future would be at 19.8 seconds,

And Duke Sime of the US

last June 9 hit the tape after 20.0 seconds flat.

## THE EARLY DAYS

In his breakdown world records established since 1904, until the close of the 1955 season and from there to the wind-up of last year's season Boehmig said that the improvement in the 100-metre dash from the early days of the sport until the end of last year had been far from extraordinary. In 1904, the world record for this specialty was 10.4 seconds. In late 1955 10.2 seconds and at the close of the 1956 season it was at 9.0 seconds. Boehmig was of the opinion that there likely will not be much improvement of the 100-metre mark in the future.

Expressed in terms of percentage, according to Boehmig's statistics, the improvement in the 100-metre world mark between 1904 and 1955 was 1.92 per cent, and from 1953 to the end of the 1956 season improvement was a meagre 0.98 per cent.

Boehmig said that sooner or later, "there will be a physiological stop sign, even though the athlete's heart and circulatory system is still perfect. But muscles and tendons just will no longer stand the strain."

The above tabulation lists the men's world records of the last 40 years until the close of the 1953 season and those of the past three years up to late 1956.

The numbers in parenthesis list the percentage of the improvement made in the various specialties.—United Press.

## INTERPORT CRICKET

## Hongkong To Play Vital Match Against All-Malaya At Kuala Lumpur

Penang, North Malaya, May 16.

The touring Hongkong team which showed cricket fans here how to chase runs and turn on a fighting recovery leave Penang today (Thursday) for a vital three-day match in Kuala Lumpur against an All-Malaya side.

Hongkong who drew with both Singapore and Federation teams can expect stiff opposition in the game beginning on Friday.

Observers said there were some tourists who were still "settling-in" during the first two games of the four-match tour. They turned on sparkling cricket during the second and final day of the match here against the Federation.

The match ended in a draw after the Federation left with 45 minutes to make 100 runs to win, made a gallant but unsuccessful chase for runs.

Federation had scored 50 runs for two when stumps were drawn.

Hongkong, who trudged by 97 runs in the first innings made

## Sports Diary

## TODAY

Men's "A" Division: CRC (2) v PORC, CMC (1) v CIC (2), Recreo v Stanley C. LRC v KTGCA, KCC v PRC.

Men's "B" Division: CRC v USAC, SCAA v CCC.

JKK Softball Association Council meeting at Shell Club, 5.30 p.m.

Soccer: Charly Game, Combined Chinese v Best of Club ground, 6.30 p.m.

## TOMORROW

1. Soccer: HKL Cup Selection: Committee Meeting, Sports Road, 5 p.m.

2. Soccer: HKL Cup Selection: Committee Meeting, Sports Road, 5 p.m.

## BILL MILLER AND HIS PUPILS



Bill Miller (left), the United States athletic coach watches one of his pupils doing the high jump in yesterday's second coaching session at the King George V School. The American stressed the importance of warming and limbering up exercises before one starts on real athletic effort. Miller also demonstrated the javelin and shot put techniques to complete his exhibition.—China Mail Photo.

## Soviet Rider Wins Prague-Berlin-Warsaw "Peace" Cycling Race

The population of Warsaw turned out in strength to see the finish of the 12th and last stage of the Prague-Berlin-Warsaw "Peace" cycling race from Lodz to here, and gave a terrific welcome to the leading pack of 11 riders as they sped into the stadium to contest the sprint, won easily by the Soviet rider, Cherepovich.

The stage and overall winners were congratulated after the race by Vladislav Gomulkia, Polish Communist Party chief, and by Polish Premier, Josef Cyrankiewicz.

The last stage of the race was taken at a cracking speed by the leaders over the flatish roads from Lodz to Warsaw. The first to attack were Swedes Arnell, Denmark's Dalgard and Poland's Gregorz Chwiedlacz, who broke away during the first kilometres but were quickly caught by the main pack.

The Czech rider, Jan Novak then broke away by himself and was joined by ten other riders, including the Swedes.

The 11 leaders had their advance cut down to one minute and 45 seconds with 25 kilometres to go, but increased their lead again to over two minutes before the finish.

The chasing pack, reduced to five men, arrived a few seconds ahead of Christoff and over three-quarters of a minute ahead of Hiller. The next group finished five minutes behind.

The group of 11 had a two minutes' lead over their immediate rivals at the 88-kilometre mark and were never caught. Behind them, the pack had split into several groups.

CHASING PACK In the chasing pack, overall leader Christov, and the

Swedish riders Arneil and Hiller were prominent. They were followed by a second group, which included Dalgard of Denmark and Nyman of Finland.

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THE FIRST TEN The final individual order of the first ten in the "Peace" race was as follows:

1. Kristov (Bulgaria) in 58 hours, 12 mins, 56 secs.

2. Louis Proost (Belgium) in 58 hours, 13 mins, 11 secs.

3. Bernard Pruski (Poland) in 58 hours, 16 mins, 10 secs.

4. Roy Hillier (Sweden) in 58 hours, 20 mins, 41 seconds.

5. Joseph Boudec (France) in 58 hours, 20 mins, 21 seconds.

6. Gunther Grunwald (East Germany) in 58 hrs, 21 mins, 10 secs.

7. Petruovic (Yugoslavia) in 58 hours, 22 mins, 8 secs.

10. Helmut Stolper (East Germany) in 58 hours, 23 mins, 54 secs.

TEAM EVENT

The general order in the team event was as follows:

1. East Germany in 174 hours, 34 mins, 55 secs.

2. Poland in 174 hours, 42 mins, 9 secs.

3. Soviet Union in 174 hours, 44 mins, 47 secs.

4. Belgium in 174 hours, 47 mins, 17 secs.

5. Sweden in 174 hours, 50 mins, 32 secs.

6. Britain in 175 hours, 51 mins, 31 secs.—Frances-Dresser.

U.S. BASEBALL

## Yankees Cram All Their Scoring In First Inning For A 3-0 Win

New York, May 15. Tom Sturdivent turned in a five-hit shutout against the Kansas City Athletics today while the New York Yankees crammed all their scoring into the first inning for a 3-0 victory.

Sturdivent, who gained his second victory, now has pitched 30 consecutive innings without giving up an earned run.

An error by shortstop Joe Demarest helped the Yankees score their three runs off Ned Garver in the opening frame after Joe Collins started first on the error, a pair of walks landed the bases and Bill Brownrow, infield double scored two runs.

Intentional pass to Enos Slaughter loaded the bases and Yogi Berra scored the third run when Bobby Richardson beat out an infield hit.

Clem Labine was credited with the victory, pitching 11 hits after relieving starter Don Drysdale in the eighth. Drysdale gave up only two hits.

Cold weather caused postponement of the game between the Pirates and Cubs at Chicago.

Philadelphia was at Cincinnati on Saturday, May 19, and St. Louis at New York on Sunday, May 20. St. Louis in the National League night games while in American League night games, Chicago was at Washington, and Cleveland at Baltimore.

—United Press.

(Full scores see page 7).

## THE GAMBOLES



## EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

## Dick McTaggart Will Lead England's Amateur Boxing Team

By GEORGE WHITING

Airman Dick McTaggart, the scrub-topped Scot from Dundee, Olympic Lightweight Gold Medallist and supreme Melbourne stylist, will lead England's amateur boxing team in the European Championships in Prague from May 25-June 1.

Call it a most welcome surprise—even if Scotland, with her own team and her own lightweight, Johny Kidd, in Prague, will hardly be expected to go into rhapsodies over it.

McTaggart returned from Melbourne to make one unexpected appearance against Ireland last January, and there announced that he would not be defending his ABA national title on boxing any more "big time" bouts for the rest of the season.

Public appearances, speeches, dinners, presentations and duty as a corporal cook in the RAF have subsequently occupied most of his time.

## PASSED HIM BY

He has had an occasional contest, however, and has not been entirely unaware that England might be looking for his punch in Prague.

As in his native Scotland, southpaw McTaggart says he is not very interested in the country that passed him by before he made the big occasions. Nor would he be available under international rules—having already boxed for England.

And so, Prague may yet see Scotsman McTaggart of England boxing Johnny Kidd of Scotland, the 21-year-old fellow alumnus who succeeded him as our ABA Lightweight Champion this week.

International rules are also concerned in England's flyweight selection for the European Championships.

## LLOYD GOES

## LOOKING AT SPORT

## INTERNATIONAL CRICKET CAN DO WITH A FEW COLLIE SMITHS

Says DENNIS HART

John Goddard is used to taking calculated risks. Back home in Barbados, he directs companies and races horses. The experience looks like coming in handy in his present role of captain of the West Indies cricket tourists.

For test team problems loom ahead for Goddard and his three-man selection committee.

These are early days to get a Valentine, plus Goddard himself, a true guide. Wintry conditions have stiffened spinning fingers, and the blood does not run thin enough in the veins of the men of pace.

But from their early double-sweated excursions into the field one point does emerge. It is that to claim a place in the side the pace men have got to show something out of the ordinary.

At the moment there doesn't seem to be room for more than one of them.

Unless something unexpected happens, the nucleus of the Test side will be Weekes, Worrell, Walcott, Ramadhin,

### St. John Ambulance Orders

Orders by Mr Fung Ping-Fung, C.S.J., Commissioner of St John Ambulance Brigade, Hong Kong District, Order No. 20/57, dated May 10, 1957.

1. Ambulance Duties—Hongkong, Eastern Amb. Div. 20.5.57.—1.4.57. Tsimshauzey Amb. Div.; 2.5.57.—1.4.57. Tsimshauzey Amb. Div.; S.C.A.A. Amb. Div.; 2.5.57.—1.4.57. KYMCA Amb. Div.; 27.5.57.—2.6.57. Mongkok Amb. Div.; May 1957. Sham Shui Po Amb. Div.

2. Penitentiary Squad Duties—Dr. .... Denison Young, K.M.S.A.A. Amb. Div. 20.5.57. Dr. Benjamin Jio, Dennis Tong, Chun-kwok, C.S.O. C. Banke and S.C.A.A. Neg. Div.

3. Orderly Duties—Al. Mainland Amb. Div.; 10.5.57. KYMCA Amb. Div.; 11.5.57. Tsimshauzey Amb. Div.; 10.5.57. Kong Wan Amb. Div.; 10.5.57. Shamban Amb. Div.; 10.5.57. KYMCA Amb. Div.; 21.5.57. Mongkok Amb. Div.; 22.5.57. Tsimshauzey Amb. Div.

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5. Ambulance Duties—Hongkong—18.5.57. 7 p.m. Club Ground; 19.5.57. 7 p.m. Club Ground; 20.5.57. 7 p.m. Club Ground; 21.5.57. 7 p.m. Club Ground; 22.5.57. 7 p.m. Club Ground; 23.5.57. 7 p.m. Club Ground; Western Dist. Amb. Div.

6. Ambulance Duties—Al. Race Course; Shaikwan K.F. Amb. Div. at Headquarters; Causeway Bay Amb. Div.

7. Ambulance Duties—Hongkong—18.5.57. 2 p.m. Big Wave Bay, Wan Chai; 19.5.57. 2 p.m. (Sun) 2.30 a.m. Repulse Bay, Central A/D; Big Wave Bay, Wan Chai; 20.5.57. 2 p.m. Big Wave Bay, S.C.A.A. Amb. Div.; 21.5.57. Big Wave Bay, Chung Sing A/D; Shek O, Conduit Road, Kowloon; 22.5.57. Repulse Bay, Wan Chai; 23.5.57. Beach Duties—Lai Chi Kok—18.5.57. Kong Wan Amb. Div. & Waterloo Neg. Div.

8. Beach Duties—Lai Chi Kok—18.5.57. Kong Wan Amb. Div. & Waterloo Neg. Div.

9. Street Sleepers Shelter Society Duties—Tsimshauzey Amb. Div.; 10.5.57. KYMCA Amb. Div.; 11.5.57. Tsimshauzey Amb. Div.

10. H.K. Society for the Protection of Animals—Al. Mainland Amb. Div.; KYMCA Neg. Div.

11. Taken On Strength—Enrolment-Kennedy Town K.F. Amb. Div.; 12.5.57. Central Neg. Div.; 13.5.57. CYC; 14.5.57. CYC; 15.5.57. CYC; 16.5.57. CYC; 17.5.57. CYC; 18.5.57. CYC; 19.5.57. CYC; 20.5.57. CYC; 21.5.57. CYC; 22.5.57. CYC; 23.5.57. CYC; 24.5.57. CYC; 25.5.57. CYC; 26.5.57. CYC; 27.5.57. CYC; 28.5.57. CYC; 29.5.57. CYC; 30.5.57. CYC; 31.5.57. CYC; 32.5.57. CYC; 33.5.57. CYC; 34.5.57. CYC; 35.5.57. CYC; 36.5.57. CYC; 37.5.57. CYC; 38.5.57. CYC; 39.5.57. CYC; 40.5.57. CYC; 41.5.57. CYC; 42.5.57. CYC; 43.5.57. CYC; 44.5.57. CYC; 45.5.57. CYC; 46.5.57. CYC; 47.5.57. CYC; 48.5.57. CYC; 49.5.57. CYC; 50.5.57. CYC; 51.5.57. CYC; 52.5.57. CYC; 53.5.57. CYC; 54.5.57. CYC; 55.5.57. CYC; 56.5.57. CYC; 57.5.57. CYC; 58.5.57. CYC; 59.5.57. CYC; 60.5.57. CYC; 61.5.57. CYC; 62.5.57. CYC; 63.5.57. CYC; 64.5.57. CYC; 65.5.57. CYC; 66.5.57. CYC; 67.5.57. CYC; 68.5.57. CYC; 69.5.57. CYC; 70.5.57. CYC; 71.5.57. CYC; 72.5.57. CYC; 73.5.57. CYC; 74.5.57. CYC; 75.5.57. CYC; 76.5.57. CYC; 77.5.57. 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# UNEASY PEACE IN CYPRUS

## Unanswered Question "Will It Last?" Qualifies Relief

By SHAHE GUEBENIAN

Nicosia, May 15.

In the narrow streets of the main towns of Cyprus until just over a month ago under curfew every night, silent gloom has yielded to the timid echoes of an uneasy truce.

Today, there is sporadic singing and laughter where, during two years of violence in which 386 people lost their lives, a deathlike hush prevailed soon after nightfall each day.

The street below my flat in Nicosia have so far been walled. Nicosia's notorious "square mile of murder" has seen a score of riots. Within its immediate vicinity half a dozen killings have occurred in the fury of Eoka violence. A succession of humble doors facing the street still bear the chalked check-marks of well-known British regiments, recalling numerous searches.

But in the same street tonight I can hear a Greek love song justly sung by a little group of Cypriot youths:

"Return I pine for you, return! Come back, sweetheart. Come, Come!"

For six months, night after night, these youths were under curfew, together with every Cypriot under the age of 27 living in the main towns. Their confinement was lifted only after Eoka proclaimed a truce and led the way to the release of Archbishop Makarios.

### Final Solution

It is good to roam about again in peace. But as yet, its permanence is a question-mark; and as long as a final solution of the Cyprus problem remains elusive, no one can say when the bullet and the teargas may once again shatter the smile of relief. The groups of singing Cypriots and British soldiers in the streets are necessarily like actors in a drama, strutting in the wings during an interval, before the curtain rises on the next act.

Hard-hit Cypriot shopkeepers are doing good business again, thanks to the fact that towns are now "in bounds" again to troops after a month of peace. But all feelings of relief are qualified, in the absence of a firm reply to the question: "Will it last?"

Too much blood has been shed in Cyprus to wipe away the consciousness of violence in just a week or a month. For too many people have been hurt, imprisoned or detained, to banish the mutual distrust and bitterness overnight.

### Casualties

Here is a two-year record of casualties and strife in the Cyprus tragedy, from the birth of Eoka on April 1, 1955 until March 31, 1957:

Out of 330 people who died as a direct result of the emergency, 259 were killed by Eoka. Of these, 102 were Britons, including 70 servicemen. Fifty-three Cypriots were killed by security forces, nine Greeks and Turks died in communal clashes and six Eoka men were killed in the explosion of their own bombs.

The figure of British servicemen killed does not include 21 soldiers who were burned to death in a big forest fire during an anti-Eoka operation last summer.

The number of people injured or wounded in the same period totalled 1,014, made up of 474 British servicemen, 30 British civilians, 58 Cypriot policemen and 443 Cypriot civilians including Turks.

### Other Incidents

In this period of two years, security forces coped with 104 riots and 240 demonstrations in main towns and villages. In addition, there were 405 other incidents such as ambuses, arson, raids on police stations, sabotage, etc.

On more than 250 occasions, curfews were imposed on towns or villages, punitive or operatively. Collective fines totalling £100,000 were imposed on Greek inhabitants of certain towns or villages. Of this total, a fine of £35,000 imposed on Limassol was quashed by the Supreme Court after an appeal lodged by the citizens, but the Government is now taking the matter to the Privy Council.

Well over 2,000 Eoka bombs were used in attacks on military and public buildings, troops, and army transport. More than 700 of these resulted in major explosions. Arising out of this two-year record of violence, 302 Cypriot

## Canadian Dead Honoured



Dutch children are shown with flowers at an annual ceremony in Groesbeek burial-place of 2,500 Canadian

soldiers who lost their lives in the liberation of the Netherlands during the Second World War. The children who

at the ceremony and placed flowers by the headstones tend the graves the whole year round.—Express Photo.

### EXTENSION OF TERM

## Petition Presented To Lennox-Boyd

Our Own Correspondent

London, May 16. Three Hongkong delegates here to present a simple story of friendship and devotion and with a million and a half signatures to back them—last evening told the Colonial Secretary, Mr Alan Lennox-Boyd, "We want our Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, to stay."

The two-year Cyprus diary of death and detention, injury and only ends on note of uncertainty and uneasiness. Developments such as Eoka's cease-fire and the subsequent release of Archbishop Makarios have not so far made the violently conflicting interests in the Cyprus dispute any more amenable to a solution.

The security forces' campaign against Eoka continues unabated, and there has been more than one hint that Eoka may resume hostilities if this campaign is not called off. — China Mail Special.

by the delegation in bringing their petition to London, and how impressed he had been by what he had seen in Hongkong, and he would see that the petition was given careful consideration."

### GIANT BOOK

The delegates, Mr Daniel Chen, Mr G. E. Gan and Dr Francis Pun, together carried their giant red-covered book of signatures up the stairs of the Colonial Office. With this in front of the Colonial Secretary they presented their petition.

Earlier they said in a statement: "We are here to present a simple story of friendship and devotion exemplified by Sir Alexander.

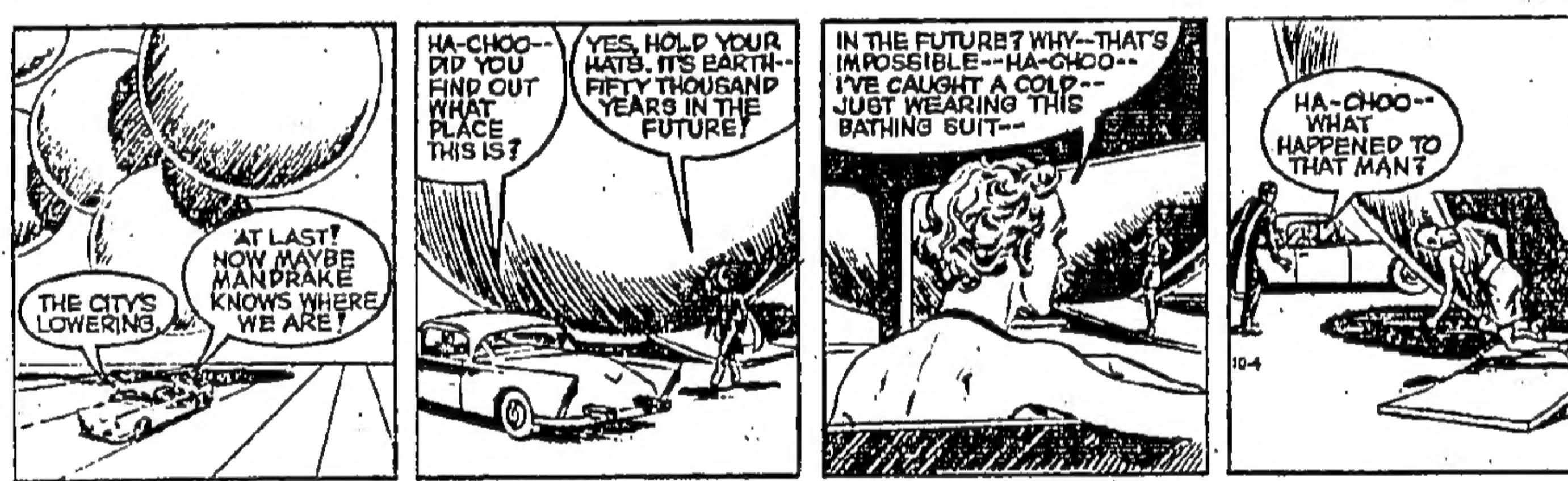
"Our ship of state has been steered by truly a seasoned navigator. We see rapids and torrents yet ahead. May we not hope that the steering he has in the hands of the same man until we have reached less turbulent waters?

The thought that Sir Alexander may leave us at the expiration of his current term of office is exceedingly disturbing. We want him to carry on a little longer.

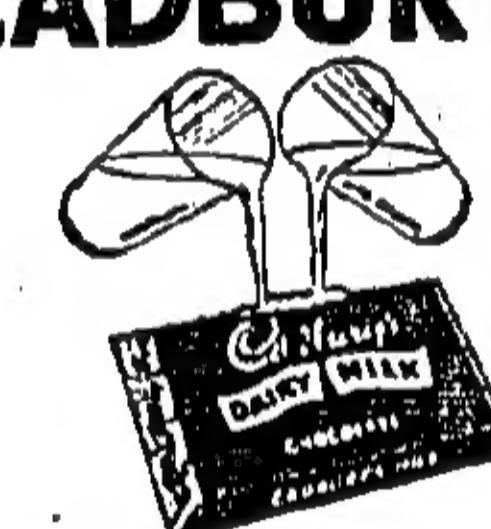
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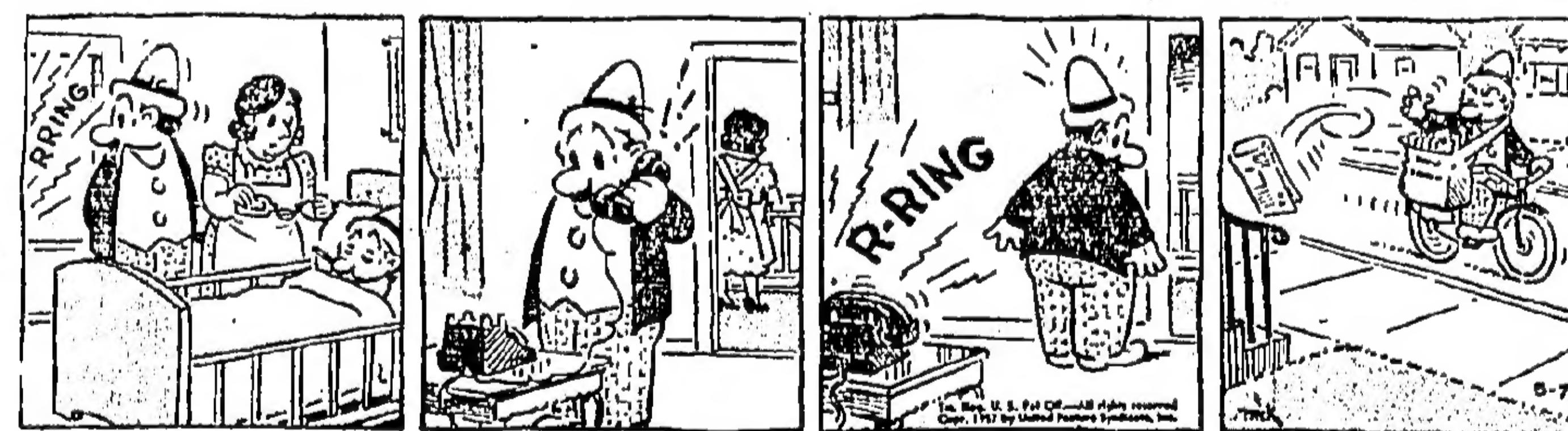


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## TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

## EUROPEAN COMMON MARKET

*Japan Expresses Anxiety Over Repercussions*

Geneva, May 15. Delegates to the twelfth session of United Nations Economic Commission to Europe (ECE) have resumed their general review of the European economic situation. The Japanese observer, Mr Ichiro Kawasaki, expressed his Government's anxiety at the creation of the European Common Market.

"My country understands the aims of the Common Market and I would like to be able to hail the creation of an economic little Europe. But I would not be very frank if I hesitated to add that my country is anxious about the repercussions of the Common Market on the trade of non-participating countries and in particular, naturally, on Japan."

**MARKET NOT OVERBOUGHT SAYS ANALYST**

New York, May 15. Edmund W. Tabell, analyst for Walston & Co, says the market is not yet overbought despite the fact that it has had a rather long selective rally from the February lows.

Bache & Co says the stage is set for a push on the anchor leg of the advance.

Standard & Poors holds that prospects call for careful consideration of any portfolio changes at this time.

Don't count on the market to make capital gains for you automatically, say Medics.

Poors' investment advisory service suggests a switch out of Ex-cell-O into US Egyptian.

**DINERS' CLUB**

Oppenheimer & Co estimates not for fiscal 1957-58 for Diners' Club exceed \$2 a share against \$1.40 in 1956.

E. F. Hutton & Co calling attention to American Machine & Foundry's outlook, says some liberalisation of the dividend is a possibility this year.

Harris, Upham & Co says Stelly dividend of \$1.80 would be raised to \$2. General Motors is testing lighter metals to produce economies in passenger car operations. F. W. Woolworth will introduce a cafeteria food service in Dallas next year.

Hayden Stone & Co suggests purchase on dip in Master Electric, Sunray-Midcontinent, Mack Truck, Paramount, Canadian Pacific, Royal McBee, American Viscose, Magnavox, Flinthorne, General Precision, Babcock & Wilcox, Chance Vought, American Brake Shoe, Baltimore & Ohio, Lockheed, Borden, Johns-Manville, American Pétrofash, Washington Electric, Continental Oil, Reynolds Metals, Bendix, Douglas, Caterpillar and Cessna-Cola—United Press.

**DISCOUNT RATE RAISED**

Zurich, May 15. The Swiss National Bank today raised its official discount rate by one per cent to 2.6 per cent in a move to combat inflationary tendencies threatening the country's economy.

Today's move followed the recent appointment of a special non-parliamentarian committee of experts to advise the Swiss Government on measures to combat inflationary tendencies and a decision of the Federal and cantonal construction work.

Additional measures announced by the Swiss National Bank today include the raising of the Lombard rate from 2.6 to 3.0 per cent—United Press.

**HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE****Our Own Correspondent**

Business done on the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning amounted to approximately \$760,000. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:

Shares	Buyers	Sellers	Sales
BANKS	1,640	1,603	900
EMBASSY	250		
INSURANCES			
UNITED XD	9371/4	900	875/8
Lombard	381/4	300	300
SHIPPING	740	745	2,500
Whealocks	120	120	120
	9,500	9,500	7,745
DOCKS, ETC.	107	110	
K. Wharf	443/4	451/4	500
Dock	12	12	10,000
P. Wharf (O)	13,350	12,000	12,000
Humphrey	10,10		3,000
	500	500	16,20
Ready	1,416	1,421	
RUBBER	120	142	1,300
UTILITIES	120	140	
TRUST XD	225	220	2,500
Yard	22	22	1,000
C. Light (O)	10,40	10,50	2,000
	600	600	19,200
Electric	414	30	1,000
Macao E.	91/2		30,25
Telephone	26,00	26,70	200
	3,100	3,100	26,70
INDUSTRIALS	1,34	1,37	
Cement	1,40		
STORES, ETC.	140	15	200
Dairy	14,00	15	200
	220	220	14,00
Watson	100	100	100
WATSONS	11,00	12,20	2,000
Nanyang	4,70	4,75	
MISCELLANEOUS	7,63	8,10	500
INVESTMENTS	622	640	1,000
Alfred	440		
H&F. & E.	10,20		
Invent.			

**Establishment**

We hope that the work in OEEC will lead to the establishment of a free trade area in which the member countries of the proposed European Economic Community will be associated.

He emphasised that the free trade proposal "does not involve the erection of any new barriers against trade with the rest of the world." The Earl of Gosforth then dealt with criticisms of the United Kingdom for wishing to exclude foodstuffs from the free trade zone.

"We do not say that there should be no co-operation in agricultural policies. What we do say is that foodstuffs should not be excluded from the scope of the free trade zone. Our special links with the Commonwealth make it impossible for us to join a free trade area which includes agriculture. It will be recognised that over fifty per cent of our agricultural imports come from the Commonwealth."

**Agricultural**

"We are fully prepared to continue discussions on agricultural trade in OEEC. The United Kingdom's excellent record in agricultural trade is an earnest of our intentions in this respect."

Mrs Koch, head of the Swedish delegation, expressed the hope that the establishment of the Common Market would not lead to protectionism in European trade. She warned that any further reduction of Swedish tariffs would remove the scant but effective protection they afforded to domestic industries.—China Mail Special.

**Distribution Centre For Colony**

New York, May 15. A new plan for increased Asian and Middle Eastern distribution of products ranging from drugs to sporting guns to collectors was announced today by the Olin Mathieson Chemical Corporation.

The company said that distribution centres under an international corporation to be set up would include Tokyo, Seoul, Taipoh and Hongkong.

Some manufacturing is now done by the company in Manila and Singapore.

Products involved include drugs made by the Squibb subsidiary of Olin Mathieson, Mathieson Industrial and Agricultural chemicals, Winchester sporting arms and ammunition, non-ferrous metals and caliphapha and paper products.—United Press.

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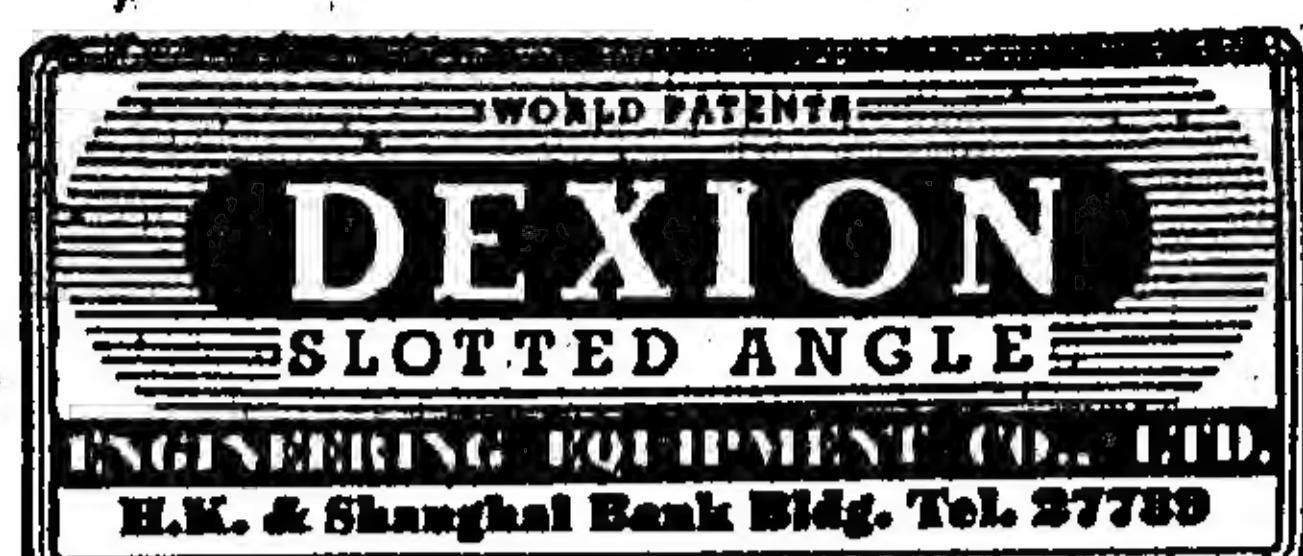
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THURSDAY, MAY 16, 1957.



## Court Grants Relief To Urban Council Candidates

An application by the four Reform Club candidates in the Urban Council election on March 8 for relief in respect of election expenditure in excess of the prescribed amount was granted by the Senior Puisne Judge, Mr Justice T. J. Gould, in the Supreme Court this morning.

His Lordship also granted a second application for leave to file the return and declaration respecting election expenses out of time.

The four applicants were Mr. Brook Bernacchi, Mr. Woe Palmen, Mr. David Lam See-chai, and Mr. Li Seung-jai.

### MISMANAGED

In granting relief in respect of the two applications, his Lordship said that there was no doubt that the election campaign from the point of view of over-expenditure was mismanaged, but he had no hesitation in accepting the contention that the four candidates acted in complete good faith. Their conduct since the discovery of the over-expenditure had been exemplary.

Order for costs was made against the applicants.

The Hon. Leo d'Almada, QC, and Mr Patrick Yu, appeared for the applicants, both on the instructions of the Hon. Sir Man-kun Lo of Messrs Lo and Lo.

The Crown was represented by the Hon. the Attorney General, Mr Arthur Ridehalgh, QC, and Mr Stuart Collier, Crown Counsel.

### AFFIDAVITS

This morning, Mr d'Almada said that in accordance with the Court's indication at the hearing further affidavits had been filed.

One affidavit was filed by Mr. Phillip Au, one of four election agents appointed by the Reform Club candidates and the other who were further joint affidavits by the four applicants.

In his affidavit which was read to the Court, Mr Au said that due to his lack of experience he did not warn his co-thinker who was in the last campaign of 1956 and who was appointed to make payments, of the need for a careful check of expenses.

Following the Attorney General's reply, the Court granted the relief sought.

## On Dangerous Drugs Charge

Leung Ka-shing, of 386 King's Road, West, 2nd floor was remanded seven days on a bail of \$100,000, half in surety, by Mr Hin-shing Lo at Central Court this morning on charges of importation and possession of dangerous drugs worth more than \$400,000.

Mr J. M. Remedies Sr., representing defendant, objected to the heavy bail. But Det. Insp. Chu Chun-man said that the drugs seized included 49.5 lbs of morphine, morphine hydrochloride, raw and prepared opium.

## SIDE GLANCES

### 1,200 Tourists Due Sept 30

Hongkong is still proving itself a "must" for pleasure-seeking tourists seeking to spend their money at one of the most famous of the world's shopping centres.

More than 1,200 tourists will be arriving here on September 30 aboard the Orient Line's luxury liner, ss Oreades, in the course of a 29-day Pacific cruise. The cruise will begin at Sydney, Australia.

At present in the Colony, preparing for the arrival of the Oreades, are two representatives of the Orient Line, Mr Harold Flett, and Capt. R. B. Stannard VC, DSO, R.D., RNR.

Mr Flett is the manager of the Queensland section of the Orient Line and Captain Stannard is the Marine Superintendent of the Company.

### FULLY BOOKED

Mr Flett and Capt. Stannard are now visiting the ports of call of the Oreades, checking on the facilities for the ship and the passengers. They have been to Japan and when they leave the Colony they will be going to Manila.

When the announcement was made that the Oreades was making a Pacific cruise, said Mr Flett, all accommodation for the ship was fully booked within a week. Mr Flett added that Hongkong was a tremendous attraction to Australians, and a very popular port of call.

Captain Stannard is no stranger to Hongkong. He came here regularly on the Empire Orwell. The Empire Orwell, he said, was a Ministry of Transport ship but Orient Line manned and managed her as a trooper.

### AWARDED VC

During the war Captain Stannard was in command of HMS Arab. He was then a Lieutenant in the RNR and took part in the evacuation and landings in Norway. In May 1949, he was awarded the Victoria Cross for conspicuous bravery.

What trials, hardships and suffering Mr Sun underwent during his long imprisonment in Canton are not known. Recuperating from the effects of his imprisonment, he was not available for an interview.

Britain had made a number of protests to the Peking Government and asked for information and for the release of Mr Sun. The protests and requests were ignored, presumably because Mr Sun of dual nationality owing to his racial origin, could not seek British protection in Chinese territory.

Mr Sun bought a Catalina flying boat in Pakistan soon after the end of the war. He engaged the services of three Australians, Messrs Ross Bohm, Dick Richmond and William James to fly the plane to Hongkong. The four were the only persons on board the aircraft when it was forced down.



Sir Alexander Grantham laying the foundation stone.  
—Staff Photographer.

## Catalina Drama Off Macao Recalled

### British Subject Released After Six Years In Prison

Captured off Macao by a Chinese Communist gunboat more than six years ago when his Catalina aircraft was forced down in the sea by engine trouble, a British subject, Mr C. L. Sun, was dramatically released recently and has returned to his family in Hongkong.

What trials, hardships and suffering Mr Sun underwent during his long imprisonment in Canton are not known. Recuperating from the effects of his imprisonment, he was not available for an interview.

For 12 months they were imprisoned separately, but were not ill-treated.

Mr Sun, they then heard, was being held because of "complications in the charges of opium trafficking."

There has been no news of the fate of the Catalina aircraft which is British-registered.

### Bank Manager's Son Killed In Fall

Eight-year-old Jeremy Walter died after a fall from a high wall in Kadoorie Avenue about 5.30 yesterday afternoon. He had been playing near his home. After the fall he was taken to Kowloon Hospital suffering from concussion, and died shortly after 10 p.m.

He was the only son of Mr G. G. Walter, Manager of the Peninsula Hotel, branch of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank.

He was a pupil at Kowloon Junior School.

A burial service takes place at Happy Valley, passing the main gates at 5 o'clock, this afternoon.

The position of the aircraft was not given and further attempts to contact Capt. Bohm failed.

Later, a RAF Sunderland flying boat sighted a Communist gunboat towing the aircraft. A report from Macao the same day said that the plane was forced down by engine trouble near the Communist-held Man Shan Islands.

**OPIUM CHARGE**

The Catalina aircraft carried no cargo, but the four men were charged with opium trafficking by the Chinese Communists in Canton.

Nothing more was heard of the men until 20 months later when the Communists released the three Australians who disclosed that they were falsely accused of trafficking in opium and sentenced to two years imprisonment. They said that the trial lasted 25 minutes and was held on the eve of their release.

### Crown Awarded Gold Seizure

Mr Hin-shing Lo at Central Court this morning made an order for confirmation to the Crown of \$64,911 ticals of gold valued approximately at HK\$133,801 which was seized by Revenue Officers on board the ss Lok Sang on November 3 last year.

The application for confirmation of the gold was made by Revenue Inspector L. Dunning.

### More Local News

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"The hot dogs here are only 20 cents, Lucy, but they taste a lot better than that 75-cent minute steak!"

## NEW CHARTERED BANK BUILDING

### Foundation Stone Laid This Morning By The Governor

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, this morning laid the foundation stone of the new Chartered Bank building in Des Voeux Road Central before a large gathering of bankers and distinguished guests.

The new building when completed in 1959 will be 244 feet high from pavement level and it is believed that it will be the tallest building in the Colony. There will be 18 storeys on the Des Voeux Road side and six storeys on the Queen's Road section.

Welcoming the Governor and addition worthy of its best architectural traditions, and one that will give it, to use a banking expression, a more balanced skyline.

"The Des Voeux Road section of the building will be eighteen storeys high, and the Queen's Road section six. The banking hall, or lobby as I believe our American friends call it, will span the length of the building between Des Voeux Road and Queen's Road, but until the whole building is completed in the Summer of 1959 we shall not occupy the banking hall, but will conduct our business on the first and second floors of the Des Voeux Road section as a temporary arrangement. When completed, the new building, which will be air-conditioned throughout, will allow of the transaction of banking business under highly civilised conditions, and will provide first class office accommodation in the storeys above.

### Casket Buried

Before the ceremony took place, a bronze casket was placed beneath the foundation stone. This casket contained copies of the previous day's newspapers, a copy of the Bank's annual report for 1956, a copy of the Bank's staff magazine "Curry & Rice," two Chartered Bank notes, photographs of the old Chartered Bank building and a photograph of Sir Alexander and Lady Grantham.

The Chartered Bank building is being constructed in two phases, and the Bank will, as a temporary measure, move to the first and second floors of the first portion on Des Voeux Road in March, 1958, in order that its old premises on Queen's Road may be demolished. The new building will contain approximately 80,000 square feet for use by tenants, but this accommodation will not be ready for occupation until February 1959 for the Des Voeux Road section, and June 1959 for the Queen's Road portion.

The Bank itself will occupy four floors. The lower ground floor will be used for treasury, safe deposit and the Bank's garage accommodation. The Banking Hall will occupy the main ground floor, while the mezzanine floor will house various departments of the Bank and the first floor will accommodate the Bank's import and export bill departments.

The Architects are Messrs Palmer and Turner, and the General Contractors are Messrs Paul Y. Construction Co.

### Bank's History

"Perhaps it may not be out of place for me to say a few words about the Chartered Bank and its connection with Hongkong. Many of you will remember that three years ago we celebrated the centenary of the Bank's incorporation. The Bank received its original Royal Charter from Queen Victoria on December 29, 1853, and a number of supplemental charters were added during the ensuing years. In June 1958 our present Queen granted the Bank a consolidating charter which had the effect of adapting the Bank's constitution to the considerable changes that had taken place in many parts of the world during the intervening years, and particularly in the Far East. Under powers conferred by the consolidating charter the name of the Bank was shortened in December last to 'The Chartered Bank,' to the great relief of its clients.

The Bank opened its first office in the Far East in Shanghai in 1868, and in the following year a branch was opened here in Hongkong with its premises in the area of what is now Chinese Street, near the Central Market and abutting on Des Voeux Road. This first office of ours in Hongkong was on the city's original waterfront, but it was not until 1904 that the reclamation in the area was completed, transforming Des Voeux Road into an inland street. By 1878 we had moved to Queen's Road, and in 1890, when the lease expired, our nomadic progress continued with a further move to accommodate in Connaught House on the site of what is now Queen's Road.

Then in the course of time this developed into what we would call 'now' bi-lateral trade agreement' between one tribe and another. In those days, of course, they didn't have the jargon that the economists of today employ, (largely, I suspect, to confuse the minds of laymen like myself). A later development still was money, or at any rate tokens of exchange—for that is one of the main functions of money—cowrie shells, and such things.

But the earliest record we have of banking goes back to about 2000 B.C., for there are tablets that have survived from the days of Babylon.

"One of them, for instance, runs as follows: 'Warad-Ullash, son of Taribum, has received from the Sun Priestess, Itan, daughter of Ibbatum, one shekel of silver by the side of God's balance.' This silver is to be used to buy sheep. At the time of the sun's harvest he will reply in response at the current price of barley of this document."

"Surely such a document is well known to the bankers of today? Another interesting point to note in connection with these banks of Babylon was that it was at the temples that the banking was done! Perhaps

that is one of the reasons why many of our banks today look very much like temples."

"The modern English banking system was given a tremendous impetus in the time of Queen Elizabeth I with the expansion of foreign trade. So too in Hongkong and the Far East. The increase in commercial transactions in this part of the world led to banks being established here, because without them trade could not move freely. One of the first of these banks was the Chartered Bank, which, as Mr Small has told you, was established a little over a hundred years ago.

"Without banks trade would stagnate. Without trade Hongkong would be the barren rock it was 115 years ago. Therefore in serving the banks are serving the community. Perhaps they might be likened to the heart that helps to keep the blood flowing in the body in order to function properly, they must be sound and they must have integrity. They must also, of course, be properly and efficiently managed. That has always been the tradition and reputation of the Chartered Bank. The new building when it is erected will be fine, imposing and sound, in other words, the outward and visible sign of the inward, invisible spirit of the Chartered Bank."

### Vote Of Thanks

In a vote of thanks to the Governor, Mr Banham said, "Before we conclude the formal part of this morning's proceedings, I wish on behalf of the Chartered Bank to thank Your Excellency and Lady Grantham for honouring us with your presence at the ceremony we have just witnessed.

I shall now respectfully invite His Excellency to say a few words to you, and therefore after to lay the foundation stone of the new Chartered Bank building."

### Governor's Speech

His Excellency the Governor said: "As Mr Small has told you, the new Chartered Bank building in Hongkong is going to be a very fine one indeed. I believe it will be the tallest, yet, my only regret is that I shall not be here to see it. But am achieving the next best that is by laying the foundation stone and having my name inscribed on it. I regard this as a distinct privilege.

"Hongkong is a commercial city, and its prosperity is founded on a generation of successful mercantile enterprise. We are there, particularly fortunate, if it may say so, in having as Governor one of the Coldest one who takes such a close and sympathetic personal interest in the commerce and industry of Hongkong and maintains such cordial relations with the business community.

"It only remains for me to thank His Excellency, Lady Grantham, and you, Ladies and Gentlemen, for your attendance this morning, and to express the hope that you will now accept a little hospitality to celebrate the occasion."

### Radio Hongkong

5 p.m. Time for Older Children presented. Programme Summary: 6.00. Foreign Music Hour. 6.15. Our Stars 7.00. The Naturalist introduced by Maxwell Knight. 7.15. William Shelden and Leo Rosten. 7.30. Variety Parade. Arthur Askey in "Hello, Playmate." 7.45. Short Story. Miss Griffiths' Box. 8.00. Time Signals. 8.15. Weather Report. 8.30. Time Signal. The Stop Sign. 8.45. John Mills. 9.00. Cy Water plays Richard Rodgers compositions. 10.15. Australian Magpie. 10.30. Fireman. 10.45. Weather Report. 11.00. Goodnight Music; 11.30. Close Down.

### REDIFFUSION

3 p.m. Romantic Cycles Selections from Irving Berlin's "Call Me Irvin" and "I'm a Yankee". 3.30. Novelties—Featuring the Airline Trio, Lee Paul and Mary Ford, Hughie Green and the Novelties. 4.15. The Time Rendezvous. 4.30. Vocal Variety Yours. 4.45. The Concerts Presented by Alan Ray. 5.00. The Time Rendezvous. 5.15. Betty Souza. 5.30. Tropicans. 5.45. Birthday Mailbox. 6.00. Walks. 6.15. The Time Rendezvous. 6.30. Souvenir Songs. 6.45. A Programme of Music by Mantovani. 7.00. The Mystery of Nuba Lorraine. 7.15. The Big Band and the Big Band. 7.30. Weather Report. Announcements and Interludes. 7.45. Capitol Show. 7.50. Radio Dance. 8.00. The Hot Rock. 8.15. The Time Rendezvous. 8.30. Ted Heath and his Music. 8.45. Date with Dreamland. 9.00. Friends. 9.15. The Time Rendezvous. 9.30. Programmes of Classical Music produced and presented by Charles Harvey. 10. Late Night Entertainment. 10.30. Ted Heath and his Music. 11.00. Date with Dreamland. 11.30. Friends to Midnight. 12.00. Goodnight Music; 12.30. Close Down.

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